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The Honorable William K. Reilly, Administrator
Environmental Protection Agency
401 M Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Administrator Reilly:

I am Chairman of the Energy and Environment Committee of the Illinois State Senate. As the name implies, my committee considers various matters involving energy and the environment in Illinois. One of the matters which continually arises in this regard is the air quality of our state. As you are undoubtedly aware, one recurring issue of significance in Illinois relates to automobile emissions and related air pollution in Illinois.

I have been informed that the Environmental Protection Agency is presently considering the use of a gasoline additive known as HITEO 3,000. I understand that tests have demonstrated the potential to substantially improve air quality by reducing smog and tailpipe emissions through the use of this additive. I am also advised that this additive is compatible with gasoline containing methanol, ethanol, and reformulated fuels.

I am confident that you agree that all possible avenues to improving our nation's air quality must be examined to the fullest extent possible. To this end, I urge the Environmental Protection Agency to afford every consideration to the use of this additive in our country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick D. Welch".
Patrick D. Welch, Chairman
Energy and Environment Committee

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